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SUBJECT: GERMAN ACTION ON ORIGIN RULES

1. ARTICLE IN JOURNAL OF COMMERCE ON JUNE 24 BY JESS LUKOMSKI FROM BONN APPEARS TO INDICATE THAT FRG INTENDS TO CRACK DOWN ON ENFORCEMENT OF EC/EFTA ORIGIN RULES. IF THIS IS THE CASE, IT REPRESENTS MAJOR DEPARTURE FROM FRG'S TRADITIONAL POLICY OF LAX ADMINISTRATION OF ORIGIN RULES.

2. ARTICLE STATES THAT UNDER FREE TRADE AGREEMENT RULES, IF ONE PARTY DOES NOT ADEQUATELY ENSURE THAT EXPORTS MEET ORIGIN REQUIREMENTS, AN AFFECTED PARTY CAN TAKE A RANGE OF PROTECTIVE ACTIONS FROM IMPOSING STRICTER CRITERIA FOR CERTIFICATES OF ORIGIN, THROUGH IMPORT LICENSING TO PARTIAL OR TOTAL HALT ON IMPORTS. ARTICLE ALSO NOTES SOME MEMBERS OF THE FREE TRADE AREA ARE CONSIDERING TAKING SUCH ACTIONS.

3. REQUEST EMBASSY MAKE LOW KEY INQUIRIES AS TO ACCURACY OF ARTICLE, REASONS FOR ACTION, AND IMPLICATIONS. REPEAT RESPONSE MTN GENEVA. ARTICLE POUCHED TO BONN, MTN GENEVA, USEC BRUSSELS. VANCE

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